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	Examiner Christopher Verdier	Art Unit 3745	

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-4 is/are pending in the application.
 4a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-4 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☒ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 21 October 2005 is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☒ objected to by the Examiner.
 Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
 Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☒ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
 3. ☒ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. ____ |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 5) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application |
| 3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date <u>10-21-05</u> . | 6) <input type="checkbox"/> Other: ____ |

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Receipt and entry of Applicant's Preliminary Amendment dated October 21, 2005 is acknowledged.

Oath/Declaration

The oath or declaration is defective. A new oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.67(a) identifying this application by application number and filing date is required. See MPEP §§ 602.01 and 602.02.

The oath or declaration is defective because:

It incorrectly identifies the foreign applications upon which priority under 35 USC 119 is claimed; these should be listed as SK 103-2003 and SK 138-2003.

Drawings

The drawings are objected to under 37 CFR 1.83(a). The drawings must show every feature of the invention specified in the claims. Therefore, the rotation axis of the wheel being oblique (claim 4) must be shown or the feature(s) canceled from the claim(s). No new matter should be entered.

Corrected drawing sheets in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(d) are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. Any amended replacement drawing sheet should include all of the figures appearing on the immediate prior version of the sheet, even if only one figure is being amended. The figure or figure number of an amended drawing should not be labeled as "amended." If a drawing figure is to be canceled, the appropriate figure must be removed from the replacement sheet, and where necessary, the remaining figures must

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be renumbered and appropriate changes made to the brief description of the several views of the drawings for consistency. Additional replacement sheets may be necessary to show the renumbering of the remaining figures. Each drawing sheet submitted after the filing date of an application must be labeled in the top margin as either "Replacement Sheet" or "New Sheet" pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121(d). If the changes are not accepted by the examiner, the applicant will be notified and informed of any required corrective action in the next Office action. The objection to the drawings will not be held in abeyance.

Specification

The specification is objected to because it is replete with grammatical errors too numerous to mention in all instances. The following are several examples of defects. The specification should be carefully proofread for additional defects. Appropriate correction is required.

On page 1, line 1, "." should be deleted.

On page 1, line 7, "presence" should be changed to -- present --.

On page 1, line 7, "the" (second occurrence) should be deleted

On page 1, line 7, "equipments" should be changed to -- equipment --.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

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(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 1-4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Erlach 4,950,130.

Disclosed is a water wheel motor comprising a water wheel 1 having an axis of rotation near 4, an outlet device 6 located in front of the wheel, a drain device 3/10 located under the wheel, the wheel mounted for rotation on the rotation axis, the wheel having fixed thereon paddles 2 which are isobaric, all points of the wheel and paddles positioned for travel through a plane which is no lower than a plane limiting the upper level of water 10 within a drain device space containing water, the outlet device having an axis along which water flowing through the outlet device flows, the axis directed on the paddles, and the rotation axis oriented in a horizontal position.

Claims 1-4 are also rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Richardson 1,579,146. Disclosed is a water wheel motor comprising a water wheel 20 having an axis of rotation near 14, an outlet device 29 located in front of the wheel, a drain device 10/12 located under the wheel, the wheel mounted for rotation on the rotation axis, the wheel having fixed thereon paddles 23 which are isobaric, all points of the wheel and paddles positioned for travel through a plane which is no lower than a plane limiting the upper level of water within a drain device space containing water, the outlet device having an axis along which water flowing through the outlet device flows, the axis directed on the paddles, and the rotation axis oriented in a vertical position.

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Prior Art

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Howard, Papadakis, Banki, and Davidson are cited to show various water wheel motors with isobaric paddles. These references could also have been applied as they anticipate at least claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. 102, but are not applied at this time in order to avoid multiple rejections.


Mayo is cited to show a turbine with an oblique axis.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Christopher Verdier whose telephone number is (571) 272-4824. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 10:00-6:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Edward K. Look can be reached on (571) 272-4820. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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C.V.
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